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Louisiana Ethics Board 617 North 3rd Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Board Advisor:

As a means of introduction, my name is George W. Meyer, III. I resigned from Louisiana Housing Corporation (LHC) on December 20, 2021. I left the organization due to an intolerable work environment. The Louisiana legislative auditor released an article that goes into greater detail, "Audit Reveals Rampant Bullying, Unfair Pay at Louisiana Housing Corporation." February 22, 2022. With mixed emotions, I left a position that I enjoyed and felt was a great value to the community. During my tenure, I was almost singlehandedly responsible for more loans being underwritten in a two year period than was underwritten during the previous 6 – 7 years.

My last role at Louisiana Housing Corporation was that of a Housing Finance Specialist 3 in the HOME department. The HOME program is funded by HUD, whereby Participating Jurisdictions (PJ's) receive funds to promote affordable housing. LHC is the PJ for the rural areas of the State of Louisiana. In my role, I guided real estate developers through the application process. The intent of the developers was to build or renovate housing units to rent or sell to those whose incomes were low-to-moderate. Low-to-moderate income is defined as those who earn 80% or less than the Area Median Income (AMI).

I would very much like to continue helping people through the application process as an un-paid consultant. I seek guidance on whether it is prudent to continue to serve very challenged real estate developers through the application process at LHC. I am willing to volunteer my time to provide assistance. I ask that this request be added to the board's April 2022 agenda. Of course, that begs the question of why can't current LHC staff accomplish that responsibility? I have personally witnessed the lack of care and concern, poor management, and sub-par performance that prevents them from doing so. With your approval, I have the skills, but most importantly, the "enduring patience" needed to lead developers through the process.

Sincerely,

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